

Delegate Jheanelle Wilkins
District 20

Delegate Jheanelle Wilkins proudly represents the 20th Legislative District in the Maryland House of Delegates. Born in Kingston, Jamaica, she is dedicated to policy change that makes a difference in people's lives. Delegate Wilkins serves on the House Ways and Means Committee where she is the Chair of the Subcommittee on Election Law, leading the House in passing election policy and expanding voter access, including passing Maryland's permanent mail-in ballot list, voting access for incarcerated individuals, and expansion of early voting sites. She also serves in the Speaker's leadership team as the Parliamentarian of the Maryland House of Delegates, responsible for upholding efficient, fair, and orderly procedures as the House conducts the business of the State. As the Maryland General Assembly prepares to redraw state and congressional lines, Del. Wilkins serves as Chair of Redistricting for the Maryland Legislative Black Caucus.

Delegate Wilkins has championed and successfully passed legislation dealing with racial profiling and justice reform, maternal health, and increasing educational outcomes for all students. Professionally, she works full time as the Director of State and Local Government Affairs at The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, the nation's oldest and largest civil rights coalition.

She earned her Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from the University of Delaware and a Master of Public Administration in Social Policy from the American University.